

Vestry Meeting Minutes     10/17/2023  
All Saints Episcopal Church, Portland, OR

*NOTE: This meeting was held via Zoom*

**Present:** Lindsay Strannigan- senior warden, Sonja Miller-junior warden, Steve Dieterich- clerk, Maryruth Storer, Amanda Buckle, Lana Millington, Tim Anderson

**Absent:** Reverend Andria Skornik,- rector, Jerry Meter- treasurer, Candace McLean

**Guest:** Deacon Linda Goertz

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM after an opening prayer.

- 1) **Rector's report** (provided by Lindsay and Sonja in Rev. Andria's absence): Pantry Project. The Go Fund Me campaign is live now with a goal of \$100,000.00. Efforts are underway to generate some publicity for this appeal beyond our immediate community. The plans no longer include use of shipping containers. We are now proposing a built from scratch (or pre-fab??) frame structure. Permit applications are

pending with the City of Portland. We assume Lowe's will be flexible with their deadline for use of the grant they have provided.

- 2) **Committee chairpersons** should all have a copy of the most recent All Saints Episcopal Church **Community Covenant Agreement**. They should endeavor to transact their committee's business following these guidelines. The rector and/or wardens should always be invited to committee meetings. The chairperson and all committee members should know how to interact with the vestry to present and obtain information relative to their proposals and ongoing activities.
- 3) **Master Plan Committee:** The RFP will go out soon to interested parties. The committee hopes to arrange site visits for these parties beginning in January 2024.
- 4) **Junior warden/B&G report:** a) The stormwater line long 41st Ave has been evaluated. It currently functions well enough so that no problems are imminent. Will likely need to be pursued in the next year or two. b) All the required inspections for 2023 have been completed. Sonja has created a master spread sheet showing all required inspections, their required intervals and the most recent cost to perform each one. She recommends that the finance committee create a line item in the annual budget to cover these expenses (currently \$3,000-

\$4,000 per year). She suggests that the Woodstock Pantry create a similar spread sheet for their inspections. c) The next Grubby Sunday is scheduled for 11/19 and will be dedicated to leaf removal.

- 5) **Treasurer's report:** Current financial statements were recently sent to all vestry members. E-mail Jerry with any questions or comments.
- 6) **Stewardship program:** We're about half way to goal. Next week Maryruth will send a list of parishioners for each vestry member to contact directly by 10/28/23 re: their plans regarding a financial commitment to All Saints for 2024. Suggested talking points were reviewed tonight.
- 7) **Mustard Seed:** Based on projections for the remainder of 2023, Sonja is going to suggest to the Finance Committee that they can include a line item for income of ~\$30,000.00 from the Mustard Seed in 2024!! Kudos to Sonja and staff.
- 8) **Parish of St Peter and Paul.** The diocese reports this parish will be dissolved later this year. The diocese will retain ownership of their property on SE 82nd Ave. We will invite their parishioners to visit us at All Saints and a delegation of vestry and interested parishioners will attend one of their final services to establish a physical connection.
- 9) **Minutes of the 9/19/2023 vestry meeting** were approved as submitted.

10) The **next vestry meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday  
11/21/2023 at 7:00 PM via Zoom.

This meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Dieterich, Clerk to the vestry

**SAVE THE DATES:**

10/28 Parents night out

10/28 Diocesan convention

10/29 Halloween processional at the 10:15 service

11/5 Celebration of All Saints Sunday

11/19 Grubby Sunday part 2 (leaf removal)